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FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1896.

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NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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J. W. R. TAYLOR, Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 18th December, 1895.

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n n 3 n ... 21 n T. H. WHITEHEAD. Manager, Hongkong. Hongkong, 16th September, 1895. TTONGKONG AND SHANGHAI

BANKING CORPORATION. PAID-UP CAPITAL .....\$10,000,000 

COURT OF DIRECTORS: A. McConachie, Esq.—Chairman. ST. C. MICHAELSEN, Esq.—Deputy Chairman. Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving. | J. Kramer, Esq. G. B. Dodwell, Esq. D. R. Sassoon, Rsq. M. D. Ezekiel, Esq. | R. Shewan, Esq. N. A. Slebs, Req. R. M. Gray, Esq.

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For 12 months, 4 per Cent, per Annum. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 15th February, 1896.

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obtained on application. CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE :-- HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:-D. Gilles, Esq.

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Interest for 12 months. Fixed, 5 per Cont. Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893.

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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. A N INTERIM BONUS of TWENTY PER CENT upon CONTRIBUTIONS for the year 1895 has been DECLARED, WARRANTS will be issued on the 30th

By Order of the Board, N. J. EDE,

Hongkong, 20th April, 1806. OLIVERS FREEHOLD MINES, LIMITED.

A NISSUE of B SHARES is offered to the Registered Shareholders of the above COMPANY in the proportion of one B Share for every Share they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on THURSDAY, the agrd instant, will be entitled to an allotment of one B Share for every Share, whether A or B, registered in his name. All applications must be made on forms for the purpose, which may be obtained at the HOMGEONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after the aged instant, and must be filled up and lodged with that Bank on or before THURSDAY, the 7th May next, together with a sum of OHE DOLLAR for every Share applied for as a first Instalment, A Receipt will be given, which must be forwarded, to the Company in change for Scrip. No further call will be payable in respect of these

Shares without at least two months notice. The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, to THURS-DAY, the 7th day of May following, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer t Shares can be Registered.

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II above Company we are prepared to accept EUROPEAN and CHINESE RISKS HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co., Hongkong, and January, 1896.

EMPRESS ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LIMITED. FIRE AND MARINE.

WE have This Day been appointed AGENTS, and are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1806. NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, 28th May, 1895. GENERAL NOTICE THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,

(LIMITED.) CAPITAL TAELS 600,000 ) \$833,333.33. RESERVE FUND ...... \$318,000.00.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. LEE SING, Esq. Lo Yruk Moon, Esq. LOU TEO SHUM, Esq. MANAGER.—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1886. NOTICE. THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED .....\$1,000,000 The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISES at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 31 PER &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies. CHAU TSEUNG FAT,

Secretary. HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEK'S ROAD WEST. Hongrong, 26th May, 1894.

# Intimations.

NOTICE

IT appears to the Undersigned desirable that the opinion of the BRITISH CIVIL UNOFFICIAL COMMUNITY of the COLONY 

Excellency the Governor. The most impartial method appears to be that of secret ballot and it is proposed to place for that purpose two properly screened ballot boxes at the CITY HALL TO-MORROW, the 16th inst,

between the hours of 4.30 and 7.30 P.M.

All male British subjects over the age of 21 resident in the Colony, those in the service of the Imperial and Colonial Governments excepted, are hereby invited to record their Votes at the times and place above-mentioned. Captain W. C. H. HASTINGS and Mr. A. COXON have consented to act as Scrutineers

of the Ballot. One of the ballot boxes will be labelled "Unorpicial Majoring"

and the other will be labelled "OFFICIAL MAJORITY."

The result of the ballot will be published. C. P. CHATER, T. H. WHITEHEAD,

N. J. EDE, T. JACKSON, MCCONACHIE. J. J. FRANCIS.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1896.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED. OTICE is hereby given that the RLEVENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MERTING of the COMPANY (since its Registration) will be held in the BCARD ROOM at the HONGROM DISPERSARY, ON THURSDAY, the 21st instant, at Tweive o'clock Moose, for the Purpose of Receiving the Report of the General Manager, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December,

The REGISTER of SHARES will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 18th instant, till SATURDAY, the aged instant, both days inclasire, during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.

By Order, A. H. MANCELL Honghong, 13th May, 1806.

DETER DAWSON'S SCOTCH WHISEY. THE WELL-KNOWN BRANDS. SPBCIAL. PERFECTION. EXTRA SPECIAL.

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Hongkong, 14th May, 1896.

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THE MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1805.

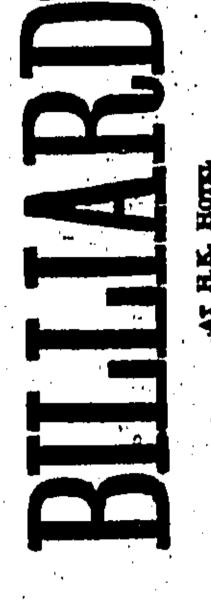
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Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

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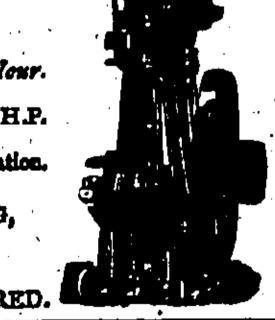
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Hongkong, 4th February, 1896.

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Hongrong, 9th May, 1896.

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CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE. LIMITED.

NOTICE.

TOTICE is hereby given that "SCRIP CERTIFICATE No. 1,445, Issued 6th July, 1886, for one Share numbered 1,660 in the above Office, standing in the name of Mr. YONG SENG, of SWATOW, has been LOST, and should the same not be produced before the 20th Instant a new Scrip Certificate will be Issued to the salt Mr.-YONG SENG; and no transaction taking place under the said Scrip Cerificate No. 1,445 will be recognized by the THE Steamship

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. General Agents. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806.

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Sole Agents for China, SCHEELE & Co. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY. LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW. THE Company's Steamship

".NUMIAH " Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 16th instant, at 10 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. General Managers. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAL (Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEWCHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTSZE.)

THE Company's Steamship

"AGAMEMNON," Captain Steeves, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 16th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1806. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW THE Company's Steamship

"NAMOA." Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 17th instant, at Davlight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 15th May, 1866.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL. THE Company's Steamship

"SARPEDON." Captain Jackson, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 18th Instant, at 3 P.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Agents. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806. FOR TAKOW AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Steamship

"OSLO," Captain Pedersen, will be despatched for the above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 18th

For Freight or Passage, apply to D. M. WRIGHT & Co.. 27, Praya Central: Hongkong, 15th May, 1896.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAL THE Company's Steamship

"STENTOR." Captain Peters, will be despaiched on MON DAY, the 18th instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN. THE Steamship

"NANCHANG." Captain Finlayson, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents. Hongkong, 15th May, 1806. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

FOR PORT DARWIN. OUTENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. THE Steamship

",TAIYUAN," R. Nelson, Commander, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, at 3 P.M. The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Enginer. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1896. "RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS.

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HE Company's Steamship "DEIKE RICKMERS."

Captain Seigel, will be despatched as above on There PRIDAY, the 5th June. For Freight, apply to

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# To-day's Advertisements.

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896. (Subject to Alteration.)

Asloun..... | Wednesday..... | 20th May TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

" ASLOUN " will be despatched hence for HONOLULU,

VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON wa KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on WEDNES DAY, the 20th May. Consular Involces of Goods for United States Points should be in QUADRUPLICATE: and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT ACENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland,

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

Honokons, 15th May 1806.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA. (With liberty to tow the S.S. "BONNINGTON" from HONGKONG to NAGASARL)

HE Steamship "CARMARTHENSHIRE," Sincock, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY; the 21st instant,

at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1806 NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "CATHERINE APCAR" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods

will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 10th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Hongkong, 15th May, 18c5.

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED, VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

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A. S. WATSON & CO., LD. THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Hongkong, toth January, 1806.

MARRIAGE. At the Methodist Episcopal Church, Singaon the 4th May, HENRY JOHN MURRELL, Warder, Criminal Prison, eldest son of Henry Murrell, of Colchester, Essex, to ADA youngest daughter of Joseph Roofe, Colchester,

DEATH. At the Government Civil Hospital, on the 14th instant, Dr. C. B. MARTIN, late Surgeon S.S. Menmulr.

HOMGEONG, FRIDAY, MAY 15, 1806,

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

CHOLERA IN ALEXANDRIA. LONDON, May 13th. Cholera has broken out to an alarming extent

t Alexandria. ITALIAN TROOPS LEAVING AFRICA. Fifteen thousand Italian troops are about to embark at Massowah on their return to Italy.

THE EDUCATION BILL. The Education Bill has been read a second

time in the House of Commons. RESIGNATION OF A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT.

Sir John Pender has resigned his seat in Parliament owing to ill-health.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Russians have obtained a large site for a settlement at Fusan..

SEVENIEN natives were recently in Hupeh for putting into circulation several counterfeit bank notes.

DURING the month of March there were 24! births and 699 deaths in Singapore. Of these

139 and 540 were, respectively, Chinese. A FEW days ago a coat was stolen from the porch of the Osaka Local Court. The coat belonged to Mr. Suzuki, the public procurator.

Mp. Ovida Musin's concert party is making an extremely successful tour through Java. Mi Musin expects to revisit Singapore on or about

the 20th inst. THE new French Settlement at Hankow, which M. G. Duball, French Consul-General at Shanghal, has arranged with the Viceroy Chang Chihtung, is between the German and Russian Concessions, and consists of about 400 more with 100 chang of river frontage.

FIVE cases of cholera were reported in Singapore between noon of the 5th inst. and noon on the 6th. Four of these were discovered after death, and one was sent to hospital. Of the five, four were Chinese males and one was a Malay female. Six cases were reported during the ensuing

THE Klushu Tea Traders' Association has decided to despatch Mr. Kanda, of Fakuoka, and Mr. Ono, of Kumamoto, in addition to representatives of the tea tracers in each prefecture of Kiushu, to Formoss, to lesse certain ground reserved by the Government and start the manufacture of tea.

A FRENCHMAN named Valenting was charged in the Magistrate's Court, Singapore, on the 6th, for attempting to stow away on board the steamship Amaranth: The prisoner was a deserter from the French Marines, and, with three or four other men, jumped over the side of a French steamer at Tanjong Pagar last week and described. He was anxious to get a passage to England He was cautioned and discharged.

A san accide nt, terminating fatally, occurred Penang on the night of the 4th inst. It appears that Captain and Mrs. Playel retired to rest about ten o'clock, as usual. About eleven o'clock the Captain was awakened by a bumping sort of sound on the back stairs of his house. He mmediately got up, and on making a search found Mrs. Playel lying at the foot of the stairs unconscious. Dr. Haviland was immedistely sent for, and on examining the lady pronounced life extinct. The cause of death areas from a severe wound on the back of the head. which had been evidently caused from the fall down the stairs.

On the 6th inst. two Chinese, one named Khoo Swee Book and his father Khoo Low Chang surrendered before Mr. Bryant, the Penang Magistrate, in anticipation of their arrest on a warrant issued at the instance of Mr. O. Sielcker. of Mesers. Bean Meyer & Co., charging the you. who was the storekeeper, with criminal breach of trust in respect of a number of slabs of tin of the value of \$83,000, and the father with abetment of the offence. The particulars have no yet come to hand. Mr. Ross has been retained for the presecution, and Mr. Van Someren for the defence. The case has been postponed the rath. Ball was fixed at BIE.con each.

MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW ISIN MAY. 4:30 to 7:30 p.m .- Ballot se the Sanitary Board. at City Hall, gp.m .-- Meeting of Perseverance Lodge.

SUNDAY, This May Daylists - Olympla leaves for Victoria, B.C.

THERE were seventeen cases of plague to-day -five in the City, seven in Kowloon, one in the Harbour, one at Stonecutters Island, one from Aberdeen, and two from Singapore by the Tallet. SEVERAL influential merchants of Yekohama propose to start a company styled the Talto Steamship Co., with a capital of 2,000,000 yes, Mahaimas anticipated his supposed discovery. and to open a regular line between Yokohama and Portland, Or., with three new steamers of 5,000 tons each, to connect with the Oregon

railway in the United States.

ABOUT 10.15 last night fire broke out in No. 73. Jervols Street, occupied by a tea and tobacco merchant, through the explosion of a kerosene amp. The two top floors and the top floor of No. 12. Burd Street, just at the rear, were gutted, the goods on the ground floor being damaged by water. The stock was insured for \$8,500 in the Hamburg-Bremen -Fire Insurance Co., Messrs. Carlowitz & Co. agents. The business has been established for fifty years and this is the first fire.

On account of the clause in the Treaty of Shimonoseki, compelling the Chinese in Formosa to become Japanese subjects or leave the Island before the end of May next, a vast number have chosen the latter as the preferable alternative, SHEWAN & Co., The Houghout Celegraph says the Herold, and are new selling out their Agents. mere song. Messry. Asano Solchiro and Sekine | such a country as Japan. " Civilisation ! " he Zenjiro, who visited the Island with a mining expert last year, have purchased certain valuable hot springs at a very low figure. Mines, arable lands, and other properties are all going chesp.

> EARLY on the morning of the 22nd ult. fire broke out on Cotton Green, Colaba Causeway, Bembay, an extensive piece of ground, where many lakhs of cotton bales are pressed and otherwise stored after delivery by the railways, ready for shipment. An alarm was raised a little after midnight. The burning mass consisted of the whole square of cotton bales, containing several thousands, stacked one above another ton height of eighteen or twenty feet. Fire Brigade Superintendent Nicholis endeavoured to confine the flames to the block in which the fire originated. This, fortunately, was comparatively easy, as there was little if any breeze, though even the bales on which the firemen stood were discovered one after another to be on fire. Though the fire was confined, the flames went up several times the height of the stacks, and illuminated the whole vicinity. Scores o European and native cotton merchants and brokers were on the scene by one o'clock, and the hundreds of coolies gathered there set to work to roll out the bales to a sale distance. The origin of the fire was almost unmistakable spontaneous combustion.

WHEN Port Arthur was taken by the Japanese 3 steamer, 188 feet in length and of about 760 tons, was found in dock there and taken possession of. She is now at Sasobo and is

advertised for sale... Every dockyard in Japan is now being employed to its utmost capacity, and the supply of facilities does not reach the demand. Something like half a score of new docks are under corse templation, while the new docks at Yokoham a and Uraga are fast nearing completion.

THE Japanese Home Department has issued an order prohibiting the sale of an engraving published by Yoshiye Jihel, of Osaka, which is to his appeals. He points out, among other be called at the entrance to Korushima Straits, a reproduction of the picture of the nude that was prohibited at Kyoto. The prohibition states to send us their produce almost carriage free. I was not called, and the first thing I knew that the picture is detrimental to public morals.

WHEN the New Zealand steamer Tonk was approaching South Africa on March 7th asteerage passenger named Knight went to the bathroom. took a salt-water bath, and then (as the custom was) poured over his head a tin of what he supposed was fresh water, placed there for the purpose. Unfortunately the tin contained carbolic acid, and the man was so fearfully burned that he died in a few minutes.

THE corrected returns of the quinquennia census taken in the German Empire on the and of December last show the total population to be 52,224,503: The increase has been larger than In any preceding quinquennial period, and is at the rate of 1.14 per cent, per annum. The German newspapers point out that the population of the Empire now exceeds that of France by 14 millions, and that the growth in Germany since the census of 1800 has been nearly three millions, compared with barely 120,000 in France. I spite of Agrarian lamentations, there is hard! any trace to be found in the census returns of the desolution which is supposed to be overtaking the sural provinces of Germany. The chie increase is, however, still to be found in the industrial regions. ANOTHER Conquest of light is M. Charles

Henry's sulphate of sinc. M. Henry is a French savant of the school of higher studies. who has revealed the power of sulphate of zinc to absorb sunlight and give it back in the dark. Poudra do ris wiede with this mineral gives a soft luminosity to a fair young face. A lady cyclist dusted all over with this powder is in herself lamp or, a pitch-dark night. The luminous pigment is not liable to be spoiled by damp, by carbolic acid, or by any weak acid. It resists rain if united to some strongly adhesive body. There is a house in the Rue de Longchampe where a windowless set of rooms is lighted with it. The lady of the house receives there her friends at " five o'clock." The spartments seem bather in moonlight, the curtains are as if studded with glowworms, the ceiling scintillates. The furniture looks as if rubbed with phosphorus. The play of this light on coloured objects gives one the infression of Aladdin's underground raisce. Often they take the rich glowing tones of the tope is, ruby, and emerald. This powder loes not lose its brilliancy il used in starch rise. A black dress trimmed with face made iuminous by it is more than bewitching.

RUBBIEH HEAP.—A correspondent complains of an odour worse even than the famous combination of Cologne which assailed him on passing a certain newspaper office in the New Road He asserts that so stillings was the character of the emanation that he decided to investigate its source, and found that it aroso from a fairly large beap of office refuse, amid which he recognised a quantity of skins of Dead Sea fruit, some chips of British oak which had evidently managed to survive some strenuous attempts at destruction, a number of gall bladders which had been thoroughly drained of their contents. a quantity of wormwood which had been exhausted of all its bitter properties. There were also other strange substances which he did not recognise, and did not think worth the expanse of submitting to analysis. There were, however, some pieces of French chaik. from which, he said, he inferred that that material was used to lubricate the paper's machinery with. Our correspondent, had he we hear that such have been used

announced recently that, after experimenting for several years, he had come to the conclusion that it would soon be possible to dispense with telegraph wires, and to transmit messages to any place on earth, or even the nearer planels, by the scientific utilisation of electric waves. Theosophists will doubtless claim that the M. Tends hopes ere long to demonstrate the practicability of his plan.

Ir people had known six months ago the changes that would take place in the war dance now performing on the world's stage, the war scare would not have been so great sone. If the real facts were admitted, it would be seen that modern nations are too much frightened of the ultimate results to engage in war with each other. They fight first by bluster and threats, and secondly by combination and chicanery. None is actually as big at it thinks it is and Europe is no longer the whole civilized world,—American Ex.

THE writer of "Stray Notes" in the Kobe Chronicle in a recent issue says :-- It will be remembered that I gave great offence to a Hongkongite by the story of "Welcome back to civilization in-words with which the unfortunate was greeted on his arrival in Kobe. I don't but a visitor who recently arrived here from that said, with a fine scorn, "there is no civilization on the Pacific coast—not yet at least."

A JAPANESE officer accredited to Peking claims. says the Mail, to have discovered that the Chinese in the Lisetung Peninsula are very partial to Japan and the Japanese. This may be so, but before giving credence to this assertion the Herald would like it to be endorsed by some independent authority. Public sentiment averred, he says, that "whilst Western people were bent either on diffusing a new religion or greedy of making commercial gains, the lapanese were entirely free from such traits. but immediately confutes the latter statement by telling his countrymen that" the present is the golden time for Japanese merchants to export Japanese commodities to Manchuria;" or. in other words, he suggests to his countrymen that now is the time for making commercial gains. This advice appears to be decidedly inconsistent with the statement that they are not greedy in the pursuit of commercial profit.

THE SUBSIDIZED BELGIAN STEAMERS. The proposed daily service of steamers between Ostend and Tilbury, subsidized by the Belgian Government in the interests of Belgian agriculture and railways, is exciting much interest, in France. One object of the scheme is to divert to Belgian rallways, traffic which now goes over French lines, between England and various parts of the Continent; such as the Australian wool sent from London to manufacturing towns North-eastern France, and even the cut flowers' sent from the South of France, and a. to per cent. now taken by Belgian lines. The

IT is urged with vehemence by the advocates of cremation that the present way of disposing of dead bodies by burist is unhealthful and the existence of cemeteries dangerous to those living in the vicinity. In this connection it is interesting to hear the results of the researches made by Professor Wolffhagel, of the University of Göttingen, and originally delivered in the shape of a lecture to the combined student body that institution. The author of this opinion is recognised authority in his department of study As reported by the Hanover Courser, he stated that this investigation had ended with conclusions shared by men working in the same department at Berlin, Munich, and Göttingen At all these places special examinations by competent men had been made into the claim tha the existence of cemeteries is dangerous. The conclusion in all these cases was that when cemeterles were established and managed in accordance with the laws there was absolutely no danger to the health of the neighbourhood and the principles, of hygiene in no way demanded the change from burial to cremation The Professor demands that to each grave. given the space of two cubic metres, and it be kept closed for thirty years, although many cases a body becomes completely, decomnosed in six years. Then the cometeries must be so situated that the lower stratum of water, even when it rises highest, must not reach the graves. in which cases drainage must be reserted to. other respects there is no danger, as the ground absorbs everything, and not even the water which is one hundred metres from a cemeter is in any way in danger of pollution. It simply ridiculous to claim that the air over the graves can in any way be contaminated by the bodies in these graves.

A NEW YORK talegram of the and of April gives provement on the kinetoscope, A similar inven-'tion has been recently on exhibition in London :---A new invention by Thomas A. Edison was shown to a few persons at the West Orange. laboratory to-night. The new machine is really a grown-up kingtoscope, and is a success. Edwon calls his latest invention the "vifascope." which, he says, means the machine showing life and that is exactly what the new apparatus does. The vitascope is an improvement on the kinetoscope, by which the moving life-size figures of men, always take a pilot-always the same pilot, women, and saimals are thrown upon a screen | who is engaged by the Company. I think that the by means of bright lights and powerful louses. | pllot should be trusted, except in narrow places, The first picture shown to-night was a coloured panorams of a serpentine dance by Anabelle, | us. I'always leave orders to be called in case The film roll on which the photographs were of doubt, and was asleep in the chartroom, attached was arranged over half a dozen spools close by the bridge. The pilot was walking the and pulleys, and the machine was set in motion. bridge when I went below. I did not speak to Even the inventor himself was surprised at the him. I left word with the pilot earlier in the result. Anaballe danced for five minutes, and evening to call me going through Kurushima. then a panorama of the English Derby was The pilot is a German, V. Bischof. When I am thrown upon the screen.

The feature of the new machine which autonished all who saw to-night's views was the almost entire absence of vibration in the pictures | the 1st. The ship was going about 10 knots; as they appeared on the screen, and which had been the hardest obstacle to surmount this evidence. He awoke the pilot once and in perfecting the apparatus. The original photographs are about the size of a special delivery postage stamp, and to produce a lifesize picture they are magnified about 600 times. Edison expects to be able soon to improve the double the length of those which the present cylinder will contain and the vitascone and further, might, we should think, phonograph will then he so combined that it will be possible for an audience to watch the photographic reproduction of grand operas and hear the singers and see the acting with as much distinctness of south and vision as if they were

M. NICOLA TESZLA, the famous electrician, AFTER a protracted theological discussion on the subjects of doctrine, dogma, tenets, and the like, the priests of the Tenri-kyo sect who recently argued these points with a chosen committee of Buddhists at Fukushima have thrown up the sponge and their faith and acknowledged themselves in error. They have proclaimed their conversion to the Buddhist falth, and conviction in its infinitely superior worth. Some persons think that a priest who could have ever honestly believed in the Tenrikyo sect might be excused for exchanging religious tenets with any one.

JAPANESE COMPETITION. Japan is now negotiating commercial treaties with Austria and Switzerland, and expects soon one will be made with France. With the settlement of rending arrangements, Japan will have commercial treaties with all Western countries upon entirely different and far more favourable terms than those before existing. Whether as much good will come from them as Japan expects is an open question. Japan has succeeded in having the terms of them so drawn that, if anything, she will resp the most advantages from them. But commercial trenties like other treaties ate often illusive, in that, they promise more then can be fulfilled. At the moment it is apparently taken for granted that Japan will know what people of the Pacific coast will say, show a wonderful commercial development within the next decade and mainly at the expense of part of the world, after being absent from Japan | Western powers. As to the development there for ten years, was decidedly uncomplimentary need be no doubt, but that the Western nations in a similar sense to the place whence he had will suffer much from it we do not believe, come. He was asked how he came to "leave | The progress of commerce in the East will be civilisation" with the object of settling down in of benefit to the whole world and it is not possible for Japan, with even a great extension of her resources and a large addition to her manufacturing interests, to control or even to hold first place, for many years at least, in Asiatic commerce. That field is open also to American enterprise, and American manufacturers will not find the opposition from Japan there so strong as present prophecies would lead them to believe. Japan is not the coming commercial leader by any manner of means and Americans should redouble their energies to secure that position,-Maritime Review.

> THE STRANDING OF THE " MENMUIR."

A Marine Court of Inquiry, composed of Hon. Commander R. Murray Rumssy, R.N. (President). Staff Commander C. R. H. Robinson. R.N., H.M.S. Victor Rmanuel, G. A. Lee, master Empress of Japan, P. Gibson, master Asamor. and R. Barton, master Afghan, members, was held at the Harbour Master's Office this morning, respecting the circumstances connected with the stranding of the British steamer Manmuir, of London, Hogh Craig master, in the Inland

Sea of Japan on the 1st inst. The warrant constituting the Court and the application of the master of the Menmuir asking for the enquiry having been fead. Hugh Craig, sworn, stated:-I am master of the

steamer Menmulr and hold a master's certificate.

I have been in the Menmuir since January, 1800.

and have been to command altogether thirteen years. The Menmuir was on a voyage from Kobe to Hongkong with a general cargo. greater share of the Italian produce than the Her draft was 18 feet 6 inches aft and 13 feet 8 inches forward on leaving Kobe. French railway authorities have decided, what- I We left Kobe at 2.30 p.m. on the 30th ultimo, ever rates may be offered by Belgian lines with thick rainy weather, blowing fresh from in pursuance of this scheme, to offer rates lower; the south. The weather commenced to clear up still; and a correspondent of the Times about ten in the evening. By that time we had says the English steamship lines are fully pre- passed the "ten foot rock." At 11 the weather pared to enter into a war of tariffs, whatever was clear and the moon rising. I remained on rates the new Belgian line may fix. The Chair- | deck with the third officer until midnight, when, man of the London Direct Short Sea Traders' leaving the second officer in charge, the Association calls Parliamentary attention to the weather being clear and no junks in the way. matter, the Foreign Office having remained deaf I lay down on the sofa. I left instructions to things, that Belgian farmers will now be able as I always like to be on deck at narrow places. was that the ship had gone ashore in the mud There was no shock, but I knew by the feel she had stranded. I rushed on the bridge. I saw the second officer and pilot on the bridge and saked how they got the ship ashore. They were disputing as to who was wrong and I told them to stop and attend to the ship. The cogines were going full speed astern. I ordered the holds to be sounded and asked the second officer why he did not call me, and he said that the pilot had been asleep and when he was awakened it was too late, as the ship went ashore soon after. The pilot admitted to me that he bad been sleeping. I called the chief officer and he sounded around the ship finding sendy bottom sloping from forward to the main-mast, The ship was affort air of the mainmast. There was a bank of mud from the mainmast to the funnel. She had gone through the mud onto the sand. The engines would not pull her off and I inquired as to the tide. and, as I found it was falling, stopped the engines. as the ship was too hard on the ground. I shifted cargo to the after part of the ship to lighten her forward, and pumped the after ballast tank out at the same time. At next high water (about I o'clock) I put the er ines astern, but as the ship refused to move I stopped the engines at 12.30. We were making no water. I then prepared to lighten the ship at 10 p.m. The coolles came on board and commenced to unlead the cargo into lighters. At 6 a.m. on the and I ran out a kedge and have taut. At 11.55 I put the engines astern again, heaving on the kedge at the same time. Ship refused to move. At 1.40 stopped the engines and continued discharging cargo. At 2.27 a.m. on the morning of the 5th, the engines going slowly astern, the ship came off unexpectedly. The wire attached to the kedge fouled the propeller. After coming off the ship made no water. I took in cargo the following description of Edison's latest im- again, finishing at 21.10 s.m. on the 6th and at 12 weighed anchor and proceeded on the voyage. anchoring in Moil at 5.15 a.m. of the 7th. Left the same day and arrived at Hongkong on the 12th, the ship making no water on the passage.

> lor Australia. By the Court :- I have made this voyage three or four times a year for six years. A as his local knowledge should be sufficent to clear off the bridge the ship is in charge of the pilot. so far as the navigation is concerned. The ship must have gone ashore about 2.18 s.m. on T. Attwood, the second mate, corroborated altered the course as directed by him. Later he again awoke the pilot as he felt uneasy, but upon being reassured continued his course. When he saw the ship was in danger he had no time to call the pilot or aptain, or put the engines

> Docked at 4 p.m. on the 12th. There was no

damage done to the ship-absolutely none.

The ship is out of dock and now loading cargo

The quartermester on duly at the time of the accident confirmed the second officer's state-Alter consultation the Court returned the

The casualty was directly due to the negligence.

of the Masses Kasepson pilot, who was called by

mind, he would probably now have been junior officials, entitled to the credit of having averted the casualty. The ship sustained no damage and with the exception of the above appears to have been navigated in a proper and scamanlike The Court does not deal with the certificates of master or officers. The Court is of opinion that the attention of the licensing authority at Kobe for pilots for the Inland Sca might with advantage be called to the opinion they have expressed with regard to the negligence of the pilot Bischol, who was pilot in charge of the Menmuir at the time of the casualty.

#### THE CAMPHOR QUESTION IN FORMOSA.

A merchant of long experience in Formo writes as follows, with reference to the camphor question, to the Japan Masi:-That the old Chinese system was bad need, not be repeated; that the Japanese will prove better in practice remains to be seen. The island was for a year without-any government at all, and in accordance with the old ideas about camphor forests it could not have been considered wrong on the part of southern firms to go on building stoves. Continued building is essential if production is to be kept up. The theory formerly entertained was that official interference had for its object the raising of revenue and nothing more. Provided that camphor producers did not fall to pay the tax when required to do so, all necessary conditions were believed to be satisfied. It is true that permits were issued, but they were not strictly called for in all places. The "stove certificate," containing the name of the place and of the producer, partook of the character of a tax receipt rather than of anything else. It was handed back to the tax collector whenever the stove to which it related was cold, fe., not working for the time. One of the principal campbor dealing foreign firms, for example, had very few of these crytificates tempining when the Japanese a iministration commenced, might have been seriously inconvenienced had it not presented a general concession. The Japanese Government should appreciate and practically recognise the moral responsibility of having left the Island for a long time without effectively organized administration. In view of that fact surely the fairer course would have been to direct the registration of all stoves actually existing, when due authority came into force. Ministers and Ambassadors in matters every and to forbid the erection of any more without permission, except in the case of persons holding concessions. That every camphor producer and every camphor merchant unable to show a permit should be considered a poscher or a smugg'er, was to view the question in a manner so distrust. ful as to reflect upon the character of the Japanese | judgments. It is safe to predict that the new themselves. Abuses, too, seem to be taking place. Thus, in one of the southern districts a local magistrate, having entered into an arrangement with some compher merchants, stopped all making of | his ability is implied by the great expectations campho, by the persons there engaged in the work. | penned about his successor, carned the unqualihis project being to dispose of the confiscated fied approval of Her Majesty's Government, strives to the merchanis in collusion with whom | and has been conspicuously rewarded for serhe was acting. Rumours of this case have been | vices that his nationals in the East do not seem heard now here, now there, and it is at length to perceive or understand .- Exchange. stated that the corrupt official has been placed under arrest. In fac, there is a good deal of unsoundness among petty officials, and the "better twelve" in Tamsui know it very well, but are apparently without power to stop it. Officials go round investigating private affairs in a most vexatious way. Their conduct ought not to be journalistically defended unless the writers have fuller information than they seem to possess. What the Jepanese Government most | vagance of such a criticism. They may be requires at present is frank criticism by persons | stated in a very few words :-- No one can engage free from general ill-feeling against Japan. Blassed in the sugar business without a licence, the cost defences simply provoke ridicule and do no good. of which is 20 cents per annum. On each camphor, but that merchants would not be re- the coast for export, a transit pass, good quired to pay anything beyond export duty. for three months but costing nothing, must The 23rd Article of the new regulations pro- be obtained. Finally, duty at a fixed rate for vided, further, that merchants must pay duty each of the grades of sugar has to be paid, on old stocks also. This is illogical, and can except, of course, in the case of sugar shipped not be upheld except against defenceless Chinese. for Japan. Could anything be simpler? We The petty officials at one place alleged that a fail to discover anything "peculiar or uninthe firm. The head of the firm, expecting that swing on and after April 11th, " and which its Chinese employes would be arrested, put a lend him to declare that " a condition of stop to the business by asking the German Con- affairs closely approaching that attempted by sul to wire to the German Minister in Tokio. Liu Ming-chuan some years ago seems on A reply came at once that the Japanese Govern- the point of being once more instituted, ment had ordered an investigation, and had the question naturally suggests itself, what Ispan's real enemy here is not the foreigner or his compradore, but the petty Japanese official, full of arrogance, prone to chicanery, bound a occation that will have to be settled in Tokio so rampant in Japan."-- Japan Mall. by the Japanese Government and the Minister of the firm's nationality. There is no sense in saying that the treaties between Japan and foreign states do not provide for these things. and that, consequently, foreign ownership can, not be recognised. It is almost as though one should deny the existence of human beings standing before one because they are not registered in a certain official list of births. The foreigners have tried as much as possible to get along in a friendly manner, but it seems hopeless. Reasonable men like Mr. Hashiguchl appear to have no power, and Mr. Salgo is very polite, but not much tive dates :-more. Mr. Maki cannot be called active, even by his friends, and the Prefect at central Talwan is doubtless a good admiral, but what then? It is perhaps as well not to be a Chinaman in Formess. By-and-by, doubtless, things will get into working order again. The present confusion can scarcely last. If it does, an outbreak of some kind may be looked for. It is | 691-Tang Chau Ting v. Sul To & anr.\$ 400.00 said that Mr. Hashiguchi is to be Prefect at Talpeh, He is the right man, for though the following cases :-occupant of a similar post in Europe may have a | 651-Pang Fuk Teeung w. Goldburg ... 8 more thorough education, he could scarcely be | 701-Bhope Khan v. J. Ullman & Co...

a finer character or have more common sense. The Most adds the following note: -- We 700-Li Lai Tong v. Hung Sning Pan publish the above because a frank expresgion of opinion from a responsible foreigner 719-Jewan Singh & Benhu & ant..... thoroughly familiar with the exhibit cannot 720-The Colonial Treasurer v. Ng fall to be useful. There is indeed, an erident . Bland interioristations interioristations

the officer of the watch when the ship had run her | hiss on the writer's part in some respects. For distance from the time of the last observation, example, his allegation that, the treaties non but seeing the special curcumstances of the obstante, the state of affairs actually existing case when the ship was steering stem on to | should be recognised as lawful, amounts simply the land with a prospective alteration in the to saying that whatever is is right. Neither can course of about eight points which could only be | we agree with his theory that the proper course made after the land shead has been approached for the Japanese authorities would have been to within about two miles, the Court is of opinion | to legalize whatever stoves were found working that more definite orders should have been when an efficient administration came into given with reference to calling the master, and | operation, without any inquiry into the circumknowing that the speed was regular the stances under which the stoves were crected. master should have left orders to be called at a But it is easy to see that the situation is beset certain time. The Court is further of opinion | with difficulties, and that their unravelling can that had the second officer, who was on watch, I scarcely fall to be attended with friction. Meandisplayed a sufficient amount of interest in the | while, the Japanese Government will find It navigation of the ship to cause him to consult | useful to know the opinion entertained by the chart when doubt had arisen in his foreigners in Formosa as to the conduct of the

#### SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD.

It is at once interesting and amusing to note the enconlums envoked in the Far East by the speeches of Six Claude MacDonald in Hongkong and Shanghal. The new Minister uses brave words: words that certainly echo the sentiments of his nationals in this quarter of the globe. but they echo, with equal truth, the sentiments of every British Cabinet, and that is precisely what seems to be forgotten by-journalists who shout applause at Sir Claude's virile elequence. It is not to be denied, of course, that the character of the man charged with the duty of guarding British interests in China counts for something. But none the less certain is the fact that the British Minister in Peking is simply the mouthplece of the Foreign Office to London, and though he may delight the patriotic instincts of British residents in the East by language stout enough to satisfy any Jingo, his impulses, whether they be military or diplomatic, are absolutely ruled by the telegraph. The Englishman in the East is apt to have his sense of proportion disturbed by the closeness of the events in which he is an actor. The whole vists of his moral perception become occupied by his immediate environment : and he loses sight of the fact that he and his affairs constitute only a very small fraction of the cares of an Immense empire, and must be managed with due regard to their relative, not their actual, importance. Thus he is never content with his country's representatives, forgetting that whatever may be their impulses as individuals they have to strictly obey instructions holding them in line with the general interests of the British Empire. British Cabinets and British subjects do not differ one whit in the matter of zeal to maintain, and if possible increase, the heritage that the enterprise and courage of their ancestors have won. But the ways of the subjects are not always the ways of the Cabinet, especially when the subject Is a newspaper editor knowing little, if anything, of the problems he undertakes to discuss, and driven by the exigencies of his position, to substitute blind patriotism for calm reasoning. In truth, no spectacle can be more smazingly illogical and revolting to common sense than that afforded by men who arrogate competence to denounce the conduct of detail of which is familiar to the incriminated officials, while only the barest outlines are known to their critics. Such displays have their use, of course; they serve to indicate the temper of whatever section of the public the newspapers represent. But they are the very antipodes of just British Representative at the Chinese Court will not enjoy a freer hand than did his predecessor, who, although much local depreciation of

# FORMOSA SUGAR.

With regard to the Sugar Regulations, which a correspondent calls "peculiar and unintelligible," and which, he says, "if carried out, amount practically to probibiting, or at least very materially restricting, the produce," one need only read them to appreciate the extra-The administration here made a law that pro- sugar mill a yearly tax of \$3 is to be paid. ducers must pay a tax on their sloves and their When it is desired to transport sugar to certain foreign-owned station was held in the telligible" about such a system, or to see how it name of a Chinese and was actually Chinese will "prohibit or very materially restrict" the property. They even maintained that the cam- production of sugar. At to the "old likin phor did not belong to the foreign firm, although stations," which, the correspondent says, "are they had been allowed to inspect the books of being furbished up and are to be in full directed that German rights should be respected. | bardship is involved in passing a likin station if no tax be levied there. Transit passes are to be granted free of cost, and it is evident, therefore, that the object of establishing stations on tightly with red tape, and entirely lacking the routes leading to the treaty part is not yet in common sense. Moreover, numbers of forthcoming on these points, but we can adventurers, some in an official capacity, some be very certain that the loreign Consuls merchants, some alternating between official and representatives would quickly interfere in and private life, do a great deal of harm. Among obstacles such as those described by this the Chinese population it appears to have correspondent were wantonly placed in the become a settled conclusion that the Japanese nath of trade. We can also be certain that the are bad. The foreigners, of course, now and Tapanese Government are entirely opposed to then see the good class of Japanese at the gay obstructive procedure of the kind, and it tradal centres, but the people at large have seems fair to infer that the Tainan corresponno such experience. There is now a question dent's ideas's bout the fiscal system adopted with whether the packing and receiving camphor regard to sugar in Formers are not much clearer stations of a large foreign firm are lawful. It is than his ideas about the "bureaucratic despotism

# INTELLIGENCE.

SUPREME COURT. SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before His Honour Mr. Sercombe Smith; Acting Pulsus Judge.)

May 15th. FIXTURES. The following cases were fixed for the respec-

Monday, May 25th. 724-Muroo Singh v. Wan Shau ..... 27.50 Toesday, May 19th.

636-Teang Yuen Shi v. Hongkong Fire Insurance Communications 417.50 Wednesday, May both.

708-Bada Singh v. Oh Shing & spr... KI paragonal property and the contract of the

The outbreak in Matabeleland brings once more into prominence that fact which forms the cardinal difference between South Africa and Australia or North America, considered as areas of European colonisation. The coloured races, instead of dwindling or disappearing before the advance of civilisation, have thriven and increased. The Native is still there, and remains an element of danger-lessened, indeed, but formidable enough. The Boer the most serious drag upon the wheels of South African progress, but he is not the only retarding influence. There is, however, this difference between the Beer and the Native-the former up to the present has in no shape or form contributed to the material prosperity of South Africa; the latter has, at times, especially by working in the mines, furnished his share to the rough work of commercial development. And, properly organised and controlled, there is no reason why he should not provide the bulk, if not all, the labour-power required in South Africa.

But before this consummation can be reached a great deal more has to be done in the way of native control. This task of so training the Kassir as to render him capable of playing a useful part in the development of the enormous natural resources of South Africa is one of the two great problems which South African statesmanship must one day solve. At present, in view of the massacre of whites in Matabeleland. it is the element of danger inseparably connected with the mere presence of this de dark-skinned population which is uppermost is our minds. The numerical relationship between the Europeans and the natives speaks for itself. On the one hand we have 750,000 Europeans, and on the other, 3,000,000 coloured This in reference to South Africa as a whole; in Natal the natives are ten to one. and in Rhodesia they are probably forty to one. And of these coloured people the great majority are dark-skinned tribes, the military branches of the Bantu family, whose whole business in life was until yesterday " war and councils of war." Up to the period of Sir Bartle Frere's administration, when (in 1077-79) the two heads of the military Banto, Krell on the (then) eastern border of the Cape Colony, and Cetewayo in Zaluland, were successively crushed. the Europeans" were compelled to maintain their supremacy by a never-ending series of wars. Since the destruction of Cetewayo and his "man-slaying machine," the supremacy of the Europeans has not been seriously contested. The Basutos successfully repelled the Colonial troops in 1880-2 but submitted to the authority of the Imperial Government. The Kaffirs in the north-east of the Transvasl have recently "given trouble" more than once to the Boers, and Lobengula compelled the Chartered Company to destroy bim and his military system in 1802 But these disturbances were local, and did not menace the general safety of the Europeans. Nor is there any reason to doubt that the Chartered Company will be able to give a good account of itself in the present rising in Matabeleland. At the same time, so long as the European population remains so small, the presence of the dense native population must remain a permanent source of anxiety and danger. - African Critic.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The following telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges were "crowded out" of last night's issue :-

NEW YORK, April 11th: The Sun's London cable says: There is no exception, literally, from Prince to paupers in the gambling vice in this country. An ancient pauper arraigned at the Birmingham Police Court yesterday, charged with absconding from the workhouse, explained to the magistrate that the almahouse. Thirty paupers laid penny bets on Lady Helen, at 7 to I, and the horse won; The prisoner was unable to settle, and alraid to meet his indignant creditors, he ran away. The magistrate admonished the ancient pauper and imposed a most cruel punishment-sent him back to live with the thirty inmates of the workhouse to whom he owes seven pennies spiece. William Waldorf Astor is engaged to be Kianghah ...... married to Lady Randolph Churchill. This statement, made by one of the Astor family. confirms the rumour that has been current in society circles of New York and London for

for the wedding, but probably it will not take place before fall. Mr. Astor is at present in this country, having arrived from London, on the Magastic, on April ist, accompanied by his three children. announced his intention of remaining here only a fortnight, so it is supposed he will soon sail for the other side. He has spent most of his

several weeks. No date has yet been announced

several hours daily with his agents. LONDON, April 11th. Four betrothals are impending, that of Prince Albert of Flanders to the second daughter of Archduke Cail Ludwig of Austria; that Prince Christian of Denmark to Princess Pauline. daughter of the King of Wurtemburg; that of Prince Albert of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha to Princess Fedora of Saxe-Meingen, and that of King Alexander of Servia to Princess Marie of

BERLIN, April 11th. Intense interest has been aroused in medical and other circles here by the announcement of a young physician, Brich Langheld, at the Internaional Physicians' Congress at Wiesbaden to-day, hat he had discovered a new remedy for tuberculosis, named anti-microbia. Its principal peredients, it appears, are orone and cod-liver il, applied by subcutaneous injection. In the experiments of the past five years, he explained, the greatest difficulty to overcome was that of keeping the exone pure and easily available. Of the ninety cases of tuberculosis located in the Moabit Hospital during the past year all have been cured. Professors Gerhardt and Senator fully confirmed the foregoing statement.

LONDON, April 12th. an unmarried woman may be called an old maid. His fiat is thirty years. A worthy citises. had bequeathed a sum of money for annual presentations to foung unmarried people of both sexes who had supported their parents in their declining years, the object being to enable them to settle themselves in life. No age was mentioned, and the prefect had to solve the problem according to his best judgment. M. Poubelle has issued a decree setting forth that bachelors and spinsters shall be considered young until they have attained the age of 20."

NEW YORK, 14th April:

THE CONTROL OF THE NATIVES. The guarantee will be \$72,500 a month or \$870,000 a year, and it provides for chartering by the association of a certain amount of space on the steamships of the Pacific Mail Company, in consideration of maintaining established rates.

> MADRID, April 14th, The elections are expected to result in the return of 300 supporters of the Government, to Conservatives, 48 Liberals, 10 Carlists, 10 Independents, and 3 Republicans, including Castelar.

> QUEENSTOWN, April 15th. The White Star Line steamer Majestic arrived this morning. She reports that on the first and second day out from New York strong gales were encountered. Heavy seas swept repeatedly over the steamer. One sallor was killed. NEW YORK, April 14th.

The police say that it is against the law for a young woman to half undress on the stage and go to bed in view of the audience, so last night they stopped the performance of "Orange Blossoms 12 at the Galety Theatre. pantomime was first produced here on the evening of April 6th, and it aroused a whirlwind of censure from the dramatic critics. The performance was, however, continued before crowded houses, and the critical censure began to die out At last Chief Coulin chanced to read an advertised criticism of "Orange Blossoms" and sent an Inspector to see the show. The birshing officer made his report, and a warrant for Manager Doels's arrest was promptly issued. The manager, who doubtless expected something of the sort, was paroled yesterday on his promise to cut out the most objectionable features of the startling pantomima.

LONDON, April 18th. A despatch to the Times from St. Petersburg says :-- A scene of pomp witnessed by thousands to-day was the removal of the Imperial crowns and regalla from the Winter Palace for conveyance to Moscow for the coronation of the

Baron von Rekardstein, military attaché of the German Embassy, was married to-day to susually a wide gap between the discovery of a want Miss Grace Maple, daughter of Sir J. Blundell Maple, at 'St. Albana' Abbey. The Bishop of St. Albans officiated. The guests included nearly all the diplomatic corps at London and many notabilities. After luncheon the bridal couple started for the Duke of St. Albans' chateau, near Seville, Spain. The bride and groom received over 600 gifts.

#### SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

MAILS DUE: English (Rosetta) to-morrow. Australian (Tringes) 20th lust. American (Gaelle) 20th inst. Australian (Guthria) 21st Inst. Tacoma (Strathleven) 22nd inst. American (City of Peking) 31st inst. Canadian (Empress of China) and prox. American (Doric) oth prox.

WE are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co.) that the E. & A. S. S. Co. steamer Guthris, from Australia, left Port Darwin for this port on the 12th inst.

SHIPPING RETURNS. From 8 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

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The British steamship Catherine Appar left Calcutta on the 20th ultime. Penang on the 6th instant, and Singapore on the 9th. After leaving Singapore experienced moderate and fine weather with variable winds up to 100 miles south of Bombay Shoal; thence to port had moderate north-north-east gale and very high confused north to east sea.

The British steamable Names left Foothow time here in looking after his property, passing on the 11th instant, and had strong north-cast winds and following sea to Amoy. Left Amoy on the rath, and had similar weather. Left Swatow on the 13th, and had strong east-northeast winds and sea to Pedro Blanco; thence to port had light east winds and light drizzling rain. In Amoy the steamships Kalgan, Hongleong, Sabine Richmers, Shelley, Rio, and Prosper. In Swatow the steamships Halloong and

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS Mascotte ....... in Kowloon Dock. Rattler (H.M.S.) Ineraban ....... Patekas ........ Talchow ................ St. Anna ...... Kutsang ...... Bonnington ........ n Wandering Jew....

VERSELS BUILT IN THE UNITED STATES IN THREE MONTHS.

Daring the first quarter of 1806 the total number of vessels built and documented in the United States was 124, of 28,170 tons, as compared with 128 vessels, of 20,336 tons, for the The prefect of police in Paris has arbitrarily previous quarter. Of the vessels built during and ungaliantly settled the question at what age | the quarter 65 were sail and 59 steam. The steel steamers built were o, of \$2,349 tons, of which a of 7,004 tens, were built on the Great Lakes. Forly-eight wooden sailing vessels, of 9,089 tons, were built on the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, and 20 wooden steam vessels, of 3,312 were built on western rivers.

AN ADDITION TO THE PLEET.

There is some talk in the home papers of H.M.S. Renows, 12,350 tons, coming out to the Bast, in which case Great Britain will again be | Astour, Brit, str., Murray-Shewan & Co. in the position of having the largest boat on this | BENLARIG, Brit. str., Wallaco-Gibb, Livingston 'All of the difficulties in the way of reorganiss- I station. At present the Rards holds that place. tion of the transcontinental association have at Compared with the Confurion, which is shortly FORMORA, Brit. bk., Obrioff-Melchers & Co. last been overcome, and the agreement, will go to be recommissioned for further service on the into effect on May 1st. After a war of rates China Station, the Ruris has a displacement of Judgment was given for the plaintiffs in the lasting more than three years the interested rail- 10,923 tons as against 10,500; machinery of roads will now set out to carn some revenue. 13,250 horse-power as against 13,214; a coal There will be a considerable advance in freight | capacity of 2,200 tons as against 1,240 and can 4.80 | rates on May 1st, sithough East-bound farills | steam 20,000 knots at 10 knots as against 5,180, 76.00 will be slightly reduced and further advances or little more than a fourth of the distance. Her may be looked for as business advances. . dimensions are, length 306 feet 6 in, beam 67 The Pacific Mail and Panama Railroad com- feet and draught at feet, If fully couled the Olympia. Brit. str., Trembridge-Dodwall, 20,00 panies are parties to the agreement. The Ruris could steem from Cronstadt to Viadivoagreement has been made for the continuation stock at to knots, without stopping anywhere | Ordansual, Ger, str., Reichborn-Wieler & Co. 7.50 of the substat to the Pacific Mail Company, on reals, Tentr a Securidance scale

A CLEAN CUT INDIVIDUAL OPINION, BOLDLY EXPRESSED.

It is for this reason that an assertion like the following sticks up above the dead level of our stupid talk, and becomes noticeable; "When I saw how pale I had grown I said to myself, it was because something had gone but of my blood."

There! that is a statement with the seeds of an ldes in it. Suppose we follow it up by quoting the rest of the letter which contains it.

In December, 1890, says the writer, " I fell into poor state of health, I was tired, languid, and weary without any apparent cause. My appetite left me and all food, even the lightest and simplest kinds, caused me great pain in the chest and atomach. When I saw how pale I had grown I said to myself it was because something had gone out of my blood.

"Then my sleep was broken, and night after night I scarcely closed my eyes. It wasn't long before became so weak and dejected that I took no interest in things around me. I was so nervous that common sounds annoyed and worried me; even the noises made by my own children in their talk and at their

"There was a disgusting taste in my mouth; made me sick, and often gave mea shivering sensation all over. When I saw others eating and enjoying their meals I felt as though it were a strange thing ; in a way I wondered how they could do it. For myself I could cat hardly anything. Food went against me, and I turned away from it, as one turns from smells or sights that are offensive. And yet I knew, what everyone knows, that without sufficient food the body languishes and weakens. And such was the case with me as month after month went by "During all this time, so full of pain and dis-

couragement, I was attended by a doctor who did what he could to relieve me, but without success. I do not say he did not understand my complaint for may he not have understood it without having the means of ouring it?"

The answer to the lady's question is : Yes, easily enough. All intelligent, studious doctors "understand " consumption, cholers, cancer, &c., without (as yet) having the means of ouring them. There is and the way to supply it.

"I will now." continues the letter, " tell you how ! came to be cured. In April, 1891, I read in a small book or pamphlet about Mother Seigel's Syrup. The book said the Syrup was a certain remedy for all diseases of the stomach, indigestion in every form, and dyspensia; and it also said that most of the complaints we suffer from are caused by that. On looking over the symptoms described in the book, and comparing them with my own, I saw plainly that my allment was dyspepsis.

"We sent immediately for a bottle of this medicine, and after taking it a few days I began to feel better. In a very short time, by keeping on with the Syrup secording to the directions, I could est without pain or distress, and digest my food. I also slept soundly and naturally. Then my strength came back and with it the colour to my face. In short, after a few weeks use of Mother Seigel's Syrup, I was hearty and strong as ever. And I should be indeed ungrateful if I were not willing that others should have the benefit of my experience. You are therefore free to print my letter if you think it will be useful. (Signed) (Mrs.) M. Truran, Marton, Lincoln, April 24, 1895.

I simply desire to say to Mrs. Truran that her idea about the blood is a perfectly correct one. All our food (the digestible part of it) is turned into blood and in that shape it feeds the entire body. When the blood gets thin and poor (lacking in nourishment) we lose flesh and grow feeble and pale. And the cause of the blood getting thin and poor is indigestion, or dyspensia. How easy this is to understand when once you get hold of the right end of it. - Mother Seigel's Syrup has the peculiar power to correct what is wrong about the digestion, and thus enables the digestive machinery to make good rich bloods Which is life and health and beauty - Adot.

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Hongkong, 18th February, 1806.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hongkong, 13th May, 1806.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY. LIMITED

FOR SINGAPORE HE Steamship

"FOOCHOW" Captain Blackburne, will be despatched or TUESDAY, the roth instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Agents Hongkong, 14th May, 1806. CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY: Limited

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"NANCHANG," Captain Finlayson, will be despatched op WEDNESDAY, the 20th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to

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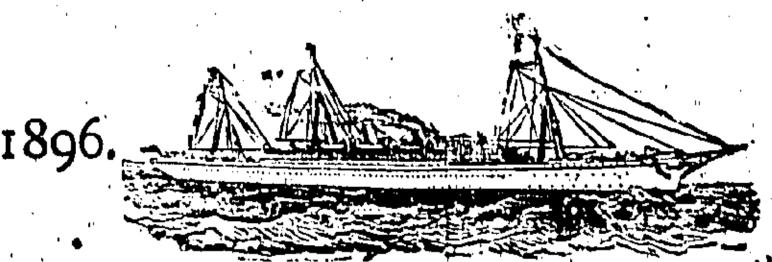
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HONOLULU. PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. Gaelle (via Nagasaki," Kobe, Inland Sea, Saturday, 30th May, at Noon.

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THE Company's Steamship Captain Bendixen, will be despatched for the "GAELIC" above Ports on SUNDAY, the 17th tostant, at will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, win NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKO-HAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY,

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Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice werea) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan la Burobe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to Adress in full : and same will be received the Company's, Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to nailing. Consular Involces to accompany Cargo destimed to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs.

San Francisco. For turther lajormation as to Freight or [774 | Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company No. 7, Praya Central. J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Honekone, 13th May, 1896,

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. City of Rio de Faneiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Thursday, 21st May, Inland Sea, Yokoat Noon. hama & Honolulu)... City of Peking (vis. Nagasaki, Kobe, In- | Sunday, 7th June, land Sea, Yokohama at Daylight, and Honolulu)..... China (via Nagasaki,

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

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"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA. YOKO HAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 21st May, 1896, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight for Japan, the United States, and

Kobe, Inland Sea, Thursday, 25th June,

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Particulars of the various routes can be had on application. Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European Officers in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families. Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-

portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports. to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Merico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers. Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.

the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 7.14 same day all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. 'Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the

Collector of Destores at Sen Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency, of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central. I. S. VAN BUREN, Agent. Hongkong, 4th May, 1806.

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#### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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Olympia	2,608	Sunday	May 17.
Brasmar	5,601	Friday	Jane 5.
Tacoma	2,549	Tuesday	Jane 23
Victoria	3,167	Saturday	i July 11
Olympia	\ 2,608	Wednesd	ay   July 29
Brasmar	3.601	Sunday,	LAug. 16

THE Steamship

OLYMPIA." Captain J. Truebridge, sailing at Daylight, on SUNDAY, the 17th May, will proceed to VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., wid SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA. Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan Pacific Coast Points, and to Canadian and

United States Points. Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Points should be in quadruplicate; and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to For further information as to Passage or

Freight, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., General Agents. Hongkong, 9th May, 18196.



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" RAVENNA." Captain E. Street, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., or, THURSDAY, the sist May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports. This steamer connects at Bombay with the S.S. Shannon, leaving that port on the 12th Tune for London direct.

Silk and Veluables, all Cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills For further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Hongkong, 7th May, 1896.

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NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA. ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)					
Karlsynke					
Prins Heinrich	Tuesday	23rd June.			
Pressien	Tuesday	21st July.			
Sacksen	Tuesday	18th August.			
Bayern					
Prins Helarich	Tuesday	13th Oct			
Pressen	Tuesday	10th Nov.			
ON TUESDAY,	the south	lay of May,			

"KARLSRUHE," Captain H. Walter, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and Gregos. Bhipping Orders will be granted till Noon or

SATURDAY, the gard May. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 F.M. on MOMDAY the 25th May, and. Parcals will be received at the Agency's Office until Noow on Mompay, the 25th May. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Fest Cubic in Measurement.

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